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SUBJECT: McCarthy Committee Inquiry Relating to Clandestine Trade in Certain

Strategic Commodities

- 1. At the 21 July meeting of the EDAC Executive Committee, Kenneth Hansen read aloud a letter from a member of the McCarthy committee staff (Adlerman), together with Admiral De Langy's reply. The first letter requested access to information and intelligence estimates on clandestine trade in certain strategic commodities (e.g., molybdenum). The reply stated in substance that this information could not be given to the committee by DMS or any other EDAC agency.
- 2. Copies of these letters are not yet available, but have been requested and will be forwarded to you within the next day or two.
- 3. Mr. Hansen said that he had talked with Adlerman immediately before the meeting. According to Adlerman, McCarthy is "incensed" at Admiral De Lany's refusal, proposes to make a major issue of this matter, and intends to direct his inquiry to each of the cognizant agencies individually.
- 4. Mr. Hansen asked us to acquaint Mr. Pforzheimer with this latest McCarthy move. I presume you will want to do this yourself.
- 5. On my return from the meeting, I was hailed in the M Building hallway by Mr. Amory, who asked me if I had read the McCarthy committee's report on China trade. In the ensuing conversation. I told him the substance of paragraphs 1 and 3 of this memorandum. He said he was very much interested and hoped this office would keep on top of the situation.

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